



The Blurb



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***The Board meets on March 2nd,
The General Membership Meeting Is on the 9th at Giant in Willow Grove***

Spring at Last! Equinox on the 20th!



December felt like...

(That's my XYL Eileen looking for my morning paper on snowy Saturday. True love!)



then February arrived

DIRECTORY UPDATE

Your 2016 Dues Invoice/Directory Information Sheet was sent to you in a separate mailing. Please verify the information and return it with your dues & optional P.M.R.C. SCHOLARSHIP FUND DONATION to: PMRC PO Box 404 Warminster, Pa 18974..Your early reply will save the club additional expenses and will speed-up the publishing of the 2016 P.M.R.C. Directory.

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		Sunday Morning Net Schedules • 2 Meter/ 70cm Net..... at 0930L on W3QV repeater • 10-on-10 Net at 1000L 28.393 MHz USB (±QRM) • 75 meter Net at 1020L 3.993 MHz LSB • ARES at 2100L on the W3QV repeater	
Committees Blurb folding: KB3IV & N3GLU Directory: KB3IV Field Day: KC2PMW Fusion Coord: NC3U	Internet: N3QV & KC2PMW Membership: K3HWG Net Control: KB3IV	Program: W3AOK Publicity: W3RM Refreshments: W3AOK Repeater: W3AOK	Scholarship: W3RM Sunshine: N3GLU VE Program: NS3K Welcome: N3UBY Youth: KC2PMW

All visitors are welcome!

The club meets at 7:00 PM on the *second* non-holiday Wednesday each month except July and August at Giant Supermarket, 315 York Rd, Willow Grove, PA
 Maps and directions are available at www.phil-mont.org.

License Examinations are held on the fourth **non-holiday Thursday** each month at **Community Ambulance Association, 1414 E. Butler Pike, Ambler PA 19002**
 Registration begins at 7:00 P.M. Applicants should contact Jim McCloskey NS3K at 215-275-2979 or jmccloskey@msn.com for the latest information.

Club Stations W3QV/R: The Jim Spencer Memorial Repeater System
 Ridge & Port Royal Avenues, Philadelphia, PA **Trustee: W3RM**
147.03 MHz + PL 91.5 Hz 444.80 MHz + PL 186.2 Hz
 Reach us on EchoLink through W3QV-R
W3AA Trustee: WU3I
W3EM: Field Day/special event station Trustee: N3QV

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The Prez Sez ...



Hello Phil-Mont- from sunny Cocoa Beach, FL

Things are going good here. Our trip down on the auto train was uneventful and very comfortable. This trip has probably been the best therapy for me since getting out of the hospital and I am about 99% as of this writing.

The WX has been pretty good so far with e exception of one day last week. Very heavy wind, rain, thunder & lightning with a tornado that passed by about 10 miles to our west. A little scary for a while but all turned out good.

My remote operation continues to be working great. I was able to work the ARRL CW DX contest last weekend and made about 155 contacts which included some new countries on 80 and 160 meters. Wish the rig had 2m/440 so I could remote back with that but we'll have to work on that.

I attended the Orlando Hamcation last weekend. We met up with some fellow Phil-Monters and some roosters and had a great time. I was wearing my new Phil-Mont jacket when a gentleman approached me to tell me he was a Phil-Mont member along with his brother from many years ago. I did not recognize the name so I'll have to check with some older old timers to see if they remember.

Don't forget to order your Phil-Mont jackets and hat. You never know who you will run into while

wearing the colors. Any questions please contact Bill K3HWG for more information.

Thank you to our speaker for the February meeting Jim KC3BRA for his great presentation about the Wires X system. I received many compliments on his presentation so thank you Jim for job well done.

Our March speaker will be Eastern PA Asst. Section Mgr. Tom Mills, AF4NC. Tom will talk about QSL'ing and QSL cards so please come out and listen to this most informative presentation.

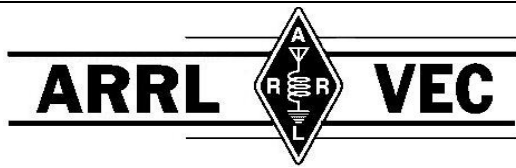
Barry K3EUI is tentatively scheduled for April or May to talk about the PC Audio Scope. A lot of interesting programs coming up for Phil-Mont in the months ahead so please plan to attend and of course bring a friend.

If anyone has any suggestions for a speaker or would like to speak at one of our meetings please let any of the club officers or board members know. Your input is vital and we welcome all suggestions.

Don't forget to sign up for the Phil-Mont Yahoo Group. This is a good way to share ideas amongst the membership. Sal NC3U is the moderator the group. For more info and to join the group contact Sal.

Well that's all from here for now. Everyone stay well and we'll see you back home at the end of March.

73, Greg WA3GM



*Saturday session on the 5th and
Thursday evening session is on
the 24th this month.*

As always, many thanks to our VE team!

***Phil-Mont Birthdays
& Tidbytes***

MARCH BIRTHDAYS

01 John Furlong – KC2TUT
03 Elaine Spencer (Honorary Member)

06 Tina Furlong (XYL KC2TUT)
Bryan Kobe - KB3WHR
09 Fayette Toren (XYL N2MT)
12 Lamonte Cuff - KC3CIV

13 Rosemary Canuso (XYL N2ATB)
15 Dottie Scialdone-Maresca - K3YPH

22 Lee Adams - KB3YFG
24 John Wright – K3CHR

27 William (Red) MacKenzie - W3RED
28 Barbara Stein (XYL KB3AFH)
Tony Canuso – N2ATB
30 Robert H. Rose – N3TWO
31 Chris Ruhl - N3GBJ

MEMBERSHIP STATS
At press time P.M.R.C. has:
111 FULL PAID MEMBERS
11 FAMILY MEMBERS
2 YOUTH MEMBERS
1 HONORARY MEMBER

From the Secretary

Since the Board meeting was canceled and the Secretary was unable to attend the general meeting there is not much to report except that all is well financially and the repeater is working fine. And a big thank you to Jim Fisher, KCBRA, for his exuberant presentation at the membership meeting on the 10th!

Also in March...

3 Thur National anthem day

14 Mon Pi Day (3.141592356...)

Scientist Albert Einstein born, 1879

18 Fri First Walk in Space (1965)

26 Sat Make up Your Own Holiday



See ya next month!

March at Phil-Mont

2 Wed Board Meeting
6 Sun WU3I NCS
9 Wed Club Meeting
13 Sun K3EUI NCS
20 Sun First day of Spring
KB3IV NCS
23 Wed Purim begins
24 Thur VE session
27 Easter
W3STW NCS
29 Armed Forces left Vietnam 1973

***Don't forget the ARES net on Sunday nights and
the Digital net on Tuesday nights.***

For Sale

***1/8" (290#) & 3/16" (380#) Dark Olive Drab
Braided Cord · 100% Polyester/Dacron Knit
Braided. Nice stuff! Tough and long lasting · UV
Resistant and Low Stretch Proudly Made in the
U.S.A.! Contact Steve WU3I at wu3i@arrl.net or
215-605-6074***

DRAKE L-4B Amp with a PS 4 Power Supply
with Harbach Mods \$925.00

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